## **MINUTES**

# **Workforce Connection**

Of Central New Mexico

# **Executive Board Meeting**

Thursday, December 1, 2005 7:45 am MRCOG, 809 Copper, NW- Board Room

**Call to Order-** 8:03 a.m. – John Sapien **Roll Call-** by Patrick Newman, WIA Administrator

### **Present**

Charles Aguilar Jeff Armijo Bob Davey Judy LeJeune Rita Logan Mary Lee Martin Virginia Murphy John Sapien

### **Quorum Established**

### **Excused**

Martha Binford Gwen Manfre Mike Swisher

Approval of Thursday, December 1, 2005 Agenda

Motion: Bob Davey Second: Rita Logan

No Discussion

Action: Passed by voice vote

Tab 1: Approval of Minutes, Executive Committee: September 1, 2005

Motion: Rita Logan Second: Bob Davey

**No Discussion** 

**Action: Passed by voice vote** 

Tab 2: Approval of Minutes, Executive Committee: November 3, 2005

Motion: Virginia Murphy Second: Mary Lee Martin

No Discussion

Action: Passed by voice vote

### **Tab 3: Monthly Expenditure Report- by Dewey Cave**

- Mr. Cave explained the monthly expenditure reports for WIA and TANF for the month ending November 30, 2005
- Mr. Cave explained the Budget Adjustment Request (BAR) that will be presented for approval at the Full Board meeting and updated the Board on allocation and carryin.

### **Ouestions Followed**

#### FINAL ACTION ITEMS

## Three Final Action Items were discussed and voted on- All three were passed by voice vote

### Passed

- Approval of WFCP-11-05, Designation of WCCNM Comprehensive One-Stop Centers
- Approval of Amendment to WCCNM Procurement Policy, WFCP-06-03
- Approval of Professional Services Agreement between WCCNM-TANF and Lifework Learning Services, Inc.

# **Tab 4: Approval of WFCP-11-05, Designation of WCCNM Comprehensive One-Stop Centers**Background and Introduction by Patrick Newman

- The Office of Workforce Training and Development, through the New Mexico Two-Year Strategic Plan is mandating that each local workforce investment area establish two comprehensive One-Stop Centers in their respective areas by June 30, 2006.
- Due to this direction, staff is recommending that the Board appoint the Valencia and Bernalillo County sites as comprehensive One-Stop Centers.
- Mr. Newman explained that this action does not prevent Torrance or Sandoval from becoming comprehensive centers, it purely name two sites for regulatory purposes.

### **Questions Followed**

Motion to accept staff recommendation: Bob Davey

Second: Judy LeJeune Discussion Followed

**Action: Passed by voice vote** 

# **Tab 5: Approval of Amendment to WCCNM Procurement Policy, WFCP-06-03-** Background and Introduction by Dewey Cave

- The WCCNM procurement policy pertains to all procurement initiated by or on behalf of the Workforce Connection of Central New Mexico, including those initiated by a contractor or subgrantee to the WCCNM.
- The current WCCNM procurement policy was last revised in December 2004, to follow changes made to the MRCOG procurement policy.

The State of New Mexico has since changed their procurement policy relating to small purchases. The changes recommended revise the current WIA procurement policy to coincide with those updates.

Motion: Mary Lee Martin Second: Charles Aguilar

**No Discussion** 

**Action: Passed by voice vote** 

# **Tab 6: Approval of Professional Services Agreement between WCCNM-TANF and Lifework Learning Services, Inc.-** Background and Introduction by Dewey Cave

- This agreement will provide professional development with intensive training and coaching for NMDOL staff at WCCNM facilities within the Central Region.
- This contract will also monitor and evaluate the performance and delivery of life and employability skills training for TANF customers.
- Twenty-five thousand dollars will be allocated for this agreement.

### **Questions and Comments Followed**

- > Board members are not comfortable with voting on this matter and thus will be deferred to the December Full Board Meting
- > Board Members would like the following information provided before the Full Board meeting:
  - Summary of Lifework Learning Services, Inc. skills and history
  - Outline of trainings and activities involved with trainings
  - More specific deliverables tied to scope of work

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

## Tab 7: Designation of Targeted Industries for WorkKeys Pilot- by Patrick Newman

- Office of Workforce Training and Development (OWTD) has developed a pilot project to implement a standardized assessment and certification for program participants through WorkKeys and curriculum to increase WorkKeys scores.
- Through this pilot, emerging and established industries and businesses will be targeted in each local area to initiate and implement the project.
- Mr. Sapien suggested this item be passed on to the Building an Employer Driven One-Stop System (BEDOSS) Task Force for discussion and recommendation to the Committee.

### **Questions Followed**

### **Tab 8: One-Stop Signage-** by Patrick Newman

• The Office of Workforce Training and Development has mandated that all One-Stop Centers in New Mexico maintain uniform branding

- The new signage will brand the One-Stops as "New Mexico Workforce Connection", with like colors, symbols, etc.
- This change will ensure that all New Mexico One-Stops will be recognized as providing quality employment and training services to participants.
- Mr. Newman passed around an example of the proposed signage.

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### Tab 10: TANF Update- by Lloyd Aragon

- Performance numbers for first quarter have been released and the Central TANF program is at 42-45%, the target is 50%.
- All outlying counties are stables with staff, Bernalillo is still seeking some positions.
- The new database is installed and operational, data will need to be cleaned and validated due to errors in the old system.
- A data dump will be done by HSD to help with this effort.

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### **Tab 9: VOSS 7.0 Update-** by Ramona Chavez

- VOSS 7.0 was converted on November 14, 2005; there have been some issues that are being addressed.
- Trainings for staff and providers have taken place.
- The national performance measures will change to Common Measures.
- Staff will continue to update the Committee on VOSS issues.

### **REPORTS**

### **Administrative Reports-** by Patrick Newman

- Sandoval One-Stop will be moving in with TANF by December 12, 2005; this move will help with co-location and integration of services.
- Mr. Newman thanked all the WIA and TANF staff for their continued dedication to the program.
- There will be a job fair on December 12<sup>th</sup> to promote Merillat employment opportunities.

### **Committee Reports-**

- Youth Council- by Mary Lee Martin
  - The next scheduled meeting is December 8, 2005.
  - The Council will be discussing the About Face! program and possible implementation in the Central Region.
- Performance and Monitoring- by Virginia Murphy
  - The next scheduled meeting is December 13, 2005.
  - The Committee is still learning TANF reporting and Performance Measures.
  - TANF will be discussed at each meeting while NMDOL and YDI will trade off each month.

- Training and Services Provider- by Judy LeJeune
  - The November meeting was cancelled.
  - The next scheduled meeting is December 15, 2005.
  - The Committee continues to work towards a Training Provider Guide.
- Business Outreach Committee- by Jeff Armijo
  - Committee approved the Business Outreach MOU scope of work and deliverables.
  - The next scheduled meeting is December 22, 2005.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comments- None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment- 9:52 a.m.

**Next Meeting-**

Date: January 5, 2006

**Time:** 7:45 am

**Location:** Mid-Region Council of Governments

A more detailed account of the meeting and discussions are available for review at the MRCOG offices at: 809 Copper, NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102